

Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

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<u>Supervisor Russell Stamper II Named Grand Marshall for Human Development Center Walk</u> Annual Walk Benefits Minority Youth Committed to Higher Education

Milwaukee County Board Supervisor Russell Stamper II and other community leaders will join the Human Development Center, Inc. at Veterans Park for the 5th Annual 3K Walk for Higher Education on Saturday, May 18 at 10:30 a.m. The walk will help raise funding for HDC's Elite Youth Development Program. Supervisor Stamper will serve as the Grand Marshall for the walk.

The Human Development Center, Inc. (HDC) has dedicated over 13 years to assisting youth and their families with psycho-social development. HDC is committed to advancing higher education among minorities at the Human Development Center, Inc., 4011 W. Capitol Dr.

"This year marks the fifth year of an organization that is essential to our community," Stamper said. "I am happy to encourage these aspiring youths to demand of themselves persistent continuous action toward the attainment of their dreams of higher education."

The Elite Youth Development Program is a youth leadership program operated by HDC. In addition to attending annual college tours locally and nationally, youth participants engage in week-long development workshops focusing on critical thinking, finance and leadership. This program boasts a remarkable 98 percent college placement rate. Since 2003, the Elite Development Program has disbursed more than \$100,000 in scholarship money to graduating high school seniors. Several program graduates have gone on to receive a Master's degree in their respective fields.

The event is open to the public. A donation of \$10 is requested for those 18 and under, and \$20 donations are requested for adults 19 and older. Registration for the event includes a t-shirt and food. On-site registration begins at 10:00 a.m.